

Questions Log

FY2016 LBHC/LHRD NOFA

WEBINAR 2016

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Q: If an applicant has been previously lead funded but never funded for healthy homes, what is the max amount that can be requested for healthy homes?

A: \$400,000.

Q: Will the content in this webinar be made available?

A: Visit www.hud.gov/healthyhomes in the coming days to find a link to the slide deck and question log from the webinar.

Q: Can you confirm that double spacing is not required. We can use single spacing. However, application length is not in itself a virtue.

A: The 2016 NOFAs do not have a requirement for line spacing formatting. However, it is important to note that the length of the narrative response and amount of content provided is no indication of or substitute for the quality of an application.

Q: How should we document match from required homeowner contributions?

A: Estimate an amount expected to be provided through owner contributions for eligible activities and document the amount in a commitment letter signed by an authorizing official. Include this letter with your application materials as formal documentation of the match amount. If awarded, applicants would be responsible for providing match proposed in the application materials.

Q: Regarding Factor 2: the LBPHC NOFA requests housing data on units built prior to 1960. The LHRD NOFA requests housing data on units built prior to 1940. Why the difference?

A: The grant program's authorizing language (Title X) specifically identifies occupied pre-1940 rental units as the focus of the LHRD grant program. The LBPHC grant program is targeted more broadly to all eligible communities where lead-based paint hazards are present.

Q: Can we use transitional housing for homeless to utilize LBPHC funds?

A: If awarded, all units completed through the grant program would be subject to the required eligibility criteria.

Q: Is budget narrative a part of the 40 pages limit?

A: The budget narrative can be provided either in the Rating Factor response or as an attached document. If included in the narrative it would count toward the 40 page limit.

Q: When do you expect to have the New Grantee Orientation for awarded applicants?

A: We are expecting to have New Grantee Orientation in the late summer or early fall in 2016 (likely in August or September). Our office also has two other required events for active grant recipients in the coming months, Program Manager School in Albuquerque (NM) in May 2016, and the NEHA 2016 AEC and HUD Healthy Homes Conference in San Antonio (TX) in June 2016.

Q: Is there a maximum per unit expense for remediation work?

A: No

Q: Is the project period one year?

A: The period of performance for both grants is a 36 Months (or 3 Years).

Q: Can a community apply for both NOFAs, with an understanding that only one would possibly be awarded?

A: No. We will only accept one application per eligible applicant for either grant program.

Q: Please describe what this program sees as the difference in role between project director and project manager?

A: The Project Director serves as the grant upper management presence, and has supervisory responsibility over the Project Manager and other key staff. The Project Manager serves as the day-to-day manager of the grant project. Each grant is required to have a Project Manager at a minimum of 0.75 FTE (or 75% Full-Time Equivalents).

Q: Would not applying for Healthy Homes Supplement Funds be a mark against the application?

A: No

Q: For the LBPHC, the minimum award amount is 1 million dollars. Is that over the 36 month period or is it 1 million per year for 3 years?

A: All awarded funds for both grant programs will be provided over a 36 month (or 3 year) period of performance. In your example it would be \$1 million over 3 years.

Q: When do you anticipate announcements of awards and start of funding?

A: We expect announcement of awards to be sometime in the summer of 2016, with expected grant start dates in the late summer and early fall of 2016. However, this timeline is subject to change.

Q: Do the LBPHC 65% or LHRD 80% Direct Lead Hazard Control cost requirements extend to the Healthy Homes Supplement funds?

A: No. The Direct Lead Hazard Control (and Administrative Cost) percentages only apply to the LBPHC or LHRD funding amount, not any Healthy Homes Supplement funds requested.